

**PARK LAKE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
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*A Century of Community in Christ
1925-2025*



September 7, 2025

Order of Worship

10:30

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

Duke Street Hymn Tune
Will Benton, organist

setting by David Christiansen

Choral Introit

I Love You Lord
Chancel Choir

Call to worship (based on Psalm 139 and Jeremiah 18)

Like clay on a wheel

God forms us: shaping us, molding us, creating us.

And like moldable clay,

God continues to shape us.

Let us worship God.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Hymn of Praise No. 19

God of Great and God of Small

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Pew Bible, OT pg. 677

Call to Confession

In the very beginning, God made us in God's own image. And yet, in the most common of human actions, we stray from God's pure intentions for us.

Let us return to our Lord, acknowledging our mistakes both individually and as a community.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Creator God, you know us better than anyone else. You formed us in your own image. And yet, we sometimes stray from the gift you've given us.

We keep people at a distance, letting systemic and personal barriers get in the way of relationships.

Forgive us, Lord. Let us hear your call to change and do better. Empower us to ask for forgiveness from those whom we have wronged.

Help us to think of you and those around us. (Moment for silent prayer)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, the good news is this: God is not done with us. Our Creator is still forming and shaping us, forgiving us, and allowing us to grow. Hear the Good News of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*Response (see insert) Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Lighting of the Peace Candle and Prayer for Peace

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

Following the time on the steps, children are invited to PRAYground located in the east transept to work on an activity. A PRAYground "host teacher" will be available to help answer questions and provide needed supplies. Children may stay in PRAYground quietly working on their projects or take supplies and return to sit with their families.

Blessing of Children

tune - Hymn No. 748, Tallis Canon

***Go with them, Lord, and guide their way, through this and every coming day,
That in Your spirit strong and true, their lives may be a gift to You.***

Scripture Reading

Psalm 139:1-14

pew Bible OT, pg. 545

Sermon

God-Shaped

Rev. Helen DeBevoise

*Affirmation of Faith pg. 37 from A Brief Statement of Faith (section 3)

**We trust in God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.**

**But we rebel against God;
we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God
in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet
entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.**

**Yet God acts with justice and mercy to
redeem creation.**

**In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a
covenant people to bless all families of
the earth.**

**Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.**

**Loving us still, God makes us heirs with
Christ of the covenant.**

**Like a mother who will not forsake her
nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the
prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Make Me a Servant
Chancel Choir

Benjamin Harlan

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation

Sharing of Bread and Cup

The Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

*Hymn 488

I Was There To Hear Your Borne Cry

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Postlude

Festival of Praise
Will Benton, organist

Phil Lehenbauer

**Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.*

Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

Adelaide A. Pollard, 1902

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George C. Stebbins, 1907

1. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Thou art the
2. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Search me and
3. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Wound-ed and
4. Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Hold o'er my

The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the staff, with four numbered lines of text.

Pot - ter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me Aft - er Thy
try me, Mas - ter, to - day! Whit - er than snow, Lord, Wash me just
wea - ry, Help me, I pray! Pow - er— all pow - er— Sure - ly is
be - ing Ab - so - lute sway! Fill with Thy Spir - it Till all shall

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with four lines of text.

will, While I am wait - ing, Yield - ed and still.
now, As in Thy pres - ence Hum - bly I bow.
Thine! Touch me and heal me, Sav - iour di - vine!
see Christ on - ly, al - ways, Liv - ing in me! A-MEN.

The third system concludes the hymn. The lyrics are written below the staff, with four lines of text. The final line ends with "A-MEN."

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The Sanctuary flowers this day, are given to the glory of God, by John Bowers and his sister, Suzanne Bowers Shaw, in loving memory of their parents, Shirley and Alfred Bowers.



The single rose on the communion table is given to the glory of God, celebrating the birth of Katherine Helen Patterson, on August 22, 2025. "Kit" is the daughter of Hannah (DeBevoise) and Grant Patterson, and sister to Sydney Patterson. Grandparents are Pastors Helen and Dan DeBevoise. We give thanks to God for her birth and life!

Worship Leaders today are:

Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise and Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise, co-pastors
Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organ/piano

September Ushers: Justin Ingram, Vicky Nicoll, John Walker, Aaron Hull.

Deacon at the Door: John Hunter

5 CENTS
A MEAL
DON'T
FORGET TO
GIVE



5 CENTS A MEAL OFFERING , Sunday, September 7

Each month, Park Lake participates in an offering to support the **Presbyterians' Answer to Hunger Program (PATH)**. *To learn more about 5 Cents a meal go to: cfpresbytery.org.*

One day = 15 cents
One week = \$1.05
One month = \$4.20

Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru July 31, 2025		Non Pledged Income Y.T.D.	
Budget	\$279,463	Budget	\$34,869
Actual	\$275,804	Actual	\$51,402
Difference	(\$3,659))	Difference	\$16,533
Park Lake Operating Budget Thru July 31, 2025			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Budget	\$447,416	\$472,588	(\$25,172)
Actual	\$492,833	\$461,021	\$31,812

Church Staff	
Co-pastors	Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise
Parish Associate	Rev. Dr. Linda Wright Simmons
Organist, Director FAVO	Will Benton
Choir Director	Robb Ross
Child Care Center Director	Karen Abell
Financial Administrator	Linda Castle
Church Secretary	Carol Bookhardt
Maintenance	Keith Bridges
Librarian	Alice Schmidt
Nursery Staff	Barbara Boyce
Church Missionaries	
Madagascar	Dan and Elizabeth Turk
Mozambique	Sebbber Banda
	Rev. Carlos Faquione

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK!

BIRTHDAYS

03 Marie Butler
03 Ruth Fiji
04 Justina Aniapam
05 Josephine Patterson
08 Tucker Hampton
09 Barbara Palmer
10 Phil Carrington
10 Alex Schelle
11 Kwabena Aniapam
13 Howard Vincent Kurtz

ANNIVERSARIES

08 Erin and Matt Cook



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

100th Anniversary Celebration Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Sunday, September 7, after worship**
"Park Lake Trivia", Fellowship Luncheon
(Struble Fellowship Hall)
- ◆ **Wednesday, October 8, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**
100th Anniversary Art Show
Open House (Sanctuary)
- ◆ **Saturday, October 11, (tba)**
Celebration Dinner
- ◆ **Sunday, October 12, after worship**
Celebration Worship Service
(Sanctuary)
and
Celebration Reception - after worship
(Struble Fellowship Hall)



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in Christ!*



PARK LAKE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY 2025-2026

PW Circle Members and those interested in participating in a PW Bible Study Circle, please contact a Circle Representative or go to: plpc.org for more information. Circle meetings are on the first Monday, or first Tuesday of each month from September—May.

Esther: Tuesday, September 2
6:30 pm, Parlor
Circle Representative, Erin Cook,
erincook987@gmail.com
Bible Moderator, Anne Vercheski,
avercheski@cfl.rr.com

Sarah: Monday, September 8
2:00 pm, Westminster Towers,
Town Square
**Circle Representative and
Bible Moderator,** Marian Price,
marian@tompricearchitects.com

Dorcas: Monday, September 8
1:30 pm, Parlor
**Circle Representative and
Bible Moderator,** Sandy Bogner,
sandybogner@cfl.rr.com

Joanna: Monday, September 8
7:00 pm, Struble Fellowship Hall
Circle Representative, Sherry Riley,
shera27@gmail.com
Bible Moderator Helen DeBevoise,
helenparklake@gmail.com

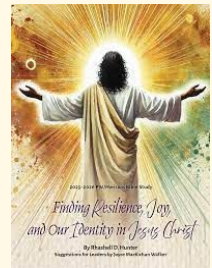
The 2025–2026 PW/*Horizons Bible Study* *FINDING RESILIENCE, JOY AND OUR IDENTITY IN JESUS CHRIST* By Rhashell D. Hunter

In this Bible study, we will explore resilience. This is modeled for us by several biblical characters, gospel and epistle writers, as well as Jesus.

The Bible study is also about joy. How do we find joy in a chaotic world? Christian joy may be different from how a lot of people define joy.

We will also seek to rediscover our identity.

[Excerpt from the Introduction to *Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ*].



Go to www.presbyterianwomen.org for more information about Presbyterian Women (PCUSA)

